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 Li B. Zhen

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AMONG NODES IN A SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to a second non-final office action in the above case dated December 30, 2005 ("Second Office Action") in which the Examiner rejected all the claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. Applicants have amended the claims and traverse the prior art rejection with respect to the amended claims. Applicants submit that pending claims 1-42 are in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13.